

STORM PUTS
MEN IN PERILSixty Men Marooned On a
Stranded Steamer

OFF THE VIRGINIA COAST

The Men in Danger Are the Crew of the Steamer Manchuria, Which Grounded March 7, and the Wreckers After Her Cargo.

Washington, D. C., March 16.—Sixty men are in peril to-day about the stranded British steamer Manchuria, which is ashore on the Virginia coast thirty miles south of Cape Henry. An intense northwest wind is raging, and the vessel is in danger of momentarily going to pieces. Three life-saving crews on the shore opposite the steamer are doing everything in their power to bring the men ashore safely.

NOTED FRENCHMAN
PRAISED AMERICANS

Baron de Constant Speaks in Admiration of Pan-American Union in Address in Washington Last Evening.

Washington, D. C., March 16.—Baron d'Estournelles de Constant, member of the Hague tribunal and former French minister to England, at the Pan-American dinner last night praised the endeavors of the Pan-American union to maintain and preserve peace. Baron de Constant, one of the leading advocates of international peace, said:

"After what I knew before, after what I have seen and what I have heard this time, I consider it is my duty to express, especially to-day, my feelings of sympathy, of admiration and confidence for the work of the Pan-American union."

"This declaration from me is not a new one; nothing, no passing difficulty can change my mind about it. I always believed and I believe more than ever—in American union, whatever may be its trials. I have often given it as an example to Europe. I often tried to explain what it was, how its success interests not only your young American republics, but only your young new world, but the old world too, all civilization at large."

"But where did I find the source of such a firm and invariable conviction as this capital question? Where did I find the justification of my feelings and, if I can say so, the most striking illustration of the practical and lasting effects of our conciliatory doctrine? Where did I find the demonstration that political conciliation is not a dream but a new duty, the great duty of our new times?"

"Where? Gentlemen, here, amongst you, amongst the representatives of these new American republics, of which Europe had such an inefficient and sometimes unjust knowledge; here amongst the diplomats, statesmen or even of great good will, who understood first that the time of Pan-American union had come, and who did not satisfy themselves by understanding it, and did all that was in their power to realize it."

PROTEST THEIR INNOCENCE.

Declarations of Camorristas Are Very Dramatic, Some Demand Redress.

Viterbo, Italy, March 16.—Dramatic declarations of innocence were made to-day by several of the thirty-six prisoners on trial here, charged with the murders of Genaro Cuccolo and his wife. During the description of the murders, Mariano de Gennaro, charged with being one of the actual assassins, declared his innocence and then burst into tears. On another occasion, Angelis and Amodeo protested their innocence and demanded redress. Gennaro, one of the prisoners, is addressed by a newspaper artist. While being brought into court, a newspaper reporter snatched his picture and the bandit chief spat in the photographer's face and swore he would kick the man into the next world.

GAME OF HIDE-AND-SEEK.

Infantry Hides Somewhere in Texas, Aeroplanes Hunt Them Up.

San Antonio, Texas, March 16.—The first maneuvers of troops in the camp on the program for to-day. It is proposed to send out a company of infantry several miles to seek cover and then to send aeroplanes out to look for them. There are now ten cars of reserve ammunition here, but they have not been unloaded and may have some other point as their ultimate destination.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Resolutions for Better Conditions Adopted by Telegraphers.

Boston, March 16.—Resolutions introduced at the close of the mass meeting of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers last night, which called for united action to secure better working conditions for station agents and railroad telegraphers, 10 hours a day and an increase in pay, met with unanimous approval.

FUEL OIL EXPLODED.

Causing Loss of \$100,000 at San Francisco To-day.

San Francisco, Cal., March 16.—An explosion of fuel oil caused a fire at day in the middle of a block of automobile stores on Van Ness avenue. Fire buildings and their contents were practically destroyed, with a loss of about \$100,000.

HUSBAND WOULDN'T
KISS HIS WIFE

Therefore Mrs. Ralph Smith, Once Miss Louise Sherman of Castleton, Sues for Divorce at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Mo., March 16.—Ralph Smith's refusal to kiss his wife, who is known as one of the beauties of St. Louis City and who was Miss Louise Sherman of Castleton, Vt., is set forth by her in her petition for divorce, filed yesterday as one reason why she should have a divorce from him. Smith is a son of the late Huntington Smith, whose family has long been conspicuous socially.

Mrs. Smith's petition says that Smith was entered in an automobile race and that she was fearful lest he should meet with injury or death and asked him to kiss her good bye but that he refused. He gladly shook hands with others present, she relates, but would not even shake hands with her. Smith was morose and sullen, his wife charges, and for long intervals would not speak to her, eating his dinner alone in the room. He was disagreeable toward her, she avers.

When the Smiths went out for the evening it was practically as strangers, she says, he riding on the front seat of the automobile and she in the tonneau. She says he would ignore her in the presence of others and that once when she accepted an invitation, he refused to accompany her and she went alone.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith were married January 20, 1906, at her home in Castleton. Mrs. Smith and her mother, who now is Mrs. C. S. Childs, went abroad last August and it was said at that time that a separation was in view. When two weeks ago Mrs. Smith and her mother returned to St. Louis and took an apartment at 6321 Berlin avenue instead of going to Smith's home at 5548 Cabanne avenue this became a certainty and Mrs. Smith made no secret among her friends that she was preparing to sue for divorce.

Mrs. Smith is a tall brunette with gray eyes. She is said to be one of the handsomest women in St. Louis, and Mr. and Mrs. Smith have no children. He is manager of the Dalton Adding Machine company. Mrs. Smith declined to discuss her suit. She said she intended if she obtained a decree to return to Castleton to reside with her mother. "I regret the suit very much," said Smith. "That is all I can say."

LAUTERBACHS DIVORCED.

Couple Married 40 Years and He May Not Wed Again.

New York, March 16.—On the report of a referee filed yesterday an interlocutory decree of absolute divorce was granted to Amanda F. Lauterbach from Edward Lauterbach, one of New York's best known lawyers, prominent in Republican politics and for several years chairman of the Republican county committee. They were married more than 40 years ago and he is 67 years old. The decree provides that he may not marry again during the life of the plaintiff. The testimony was sealed.

JAUREZ RECOVERS
FROM ITS ALARM

After Spending a Sleepless Night Following Attempt to Blow up the Barracks.

El Paso, Texas, March 16.—Jaurez spent a sleepless night, with her streets patrolled by a double force of guards and practically the entire garrison under arms in the vicinity and the anxiety aroused by last night's attack upon the barracks, when a small band of insurgents demolished a portion of the barracks with bombs and then escaped, was materially lessened. The federal troops suffered no loss, but two insurgents were injured. Business was resumed this morning and most of those who had planned to take refuge on the American side changed their minds.

The shock of the explosion was felt throughout Jaurez and immediately a cry was raised that the insurgents had surrounded the place in great numbers and were attacking. Merchants left their shops and crossed prepared to flee to the American side. Extra guards were placed about the quarters of Colonel Tambores and of General Navarro. The attacked barracks are occupied by the 11th Mexican cavalry and are in the heart of the town. There has been a general feeling that the insurgents were trying to surround the city. A small band of insurgents is supposed to have crept into the town along the railroad tracks. After placing the explosives, they attempted to get away. Soldiers on the lookout on top of the barracks opened fire. The rest escaped into the country.

The wounded insurgents were carried away by soldiers. A report that several Mexican soldiers were injured resulted from the general confusion. Mexican officers denied that any one had been killed. They would say nothing further. Assurance of the safety of all Americans now confined in Mexican prisons was given in an official statement issued at Jaurez last night. American prisoners will have trials in civil courts on charges of sedition, but hereafter, all insurgents, whether citizens of the United States or not, may be subject to the death penalty under summary military procedure.

The statement from the Mexican officers was issued relative to the 17 foreigners now imprisoned in the federal jail at Casas Grandes. Fifteen are Americans and two Europeans.

It is said that citizens of the United States now fighting in the insurgent ranks, number 60. The largest force is with Capt. Geo. G. Creighton, who has been active in blowing up railroad bridges. Government officers yesterday reserved orders to stop the crossing of Americans from El Paso into Mexico.

Reports from the interior of the war zone are that the insurgents are concentrating at various points. Francisco I. Madero, revolutionary leader, with a three-hundred field piece and two rapid fire guns, is somewhere north of Casas Grandes. He is driving toward him General Orozco with 500 men. The general movement of the insurgents is northward, presumably toward Jaurez.

QUICK RICHES
MAN GUILTYGeorge H. Munroe Convicted
in New York Today

GETS THREE YEARS' TERM

Government Officials Say That He Has Obtained \$500,000 from Investors During the Last Few Years—Goes to Federal Prison.

New York, March 16.—George H. Munroe, prominent among promoters of schemes of the "get rich quick" variety, and who the government officials say has obtained half a million dollars from investors in propositions during the past few years, was convicted in United States circuit court here to-day of using the mails in connection with fraudulent stock operations. He was sentenced to three years in the federal penitentiary.

SAID TO HAVE CONFESSED.

Man Arrested On Charge of Murdering 10-Year-Old Girl.

Asbury Park, N. J., March 16.—Frank E. Heideman was arrested here yesterday afternoon, charged with the murder of Mary Smith, the 10-year-old girl who was assaulted and murdered on the outskirts of Asbury Park last November. Several previous arrests have been made in the case, including that of a negro who was held in jail for several weeks before he established his innocence. Heideman, according to the police, has made full confession. He had been trailed for four months by a private detective, who gained his confidence and became his room mate.

WHITTIER GIRL'S
BODY IS FOUND

Ipswich, Mass., Girl Disappeared From Home on January 13, Last, and Body Was Recovered Late Yesterday.

Cambridge, Mass., March 16.—The mystery of the disappearance of the 10-year-old school girl, Florence Whittier, of Ipswich, on Jan. 13, last, was partly solved last night, when her brother, Ralph, of Malden, identified as his sister, the body of a girl taken from the Charles river late in the day. An autopsy performed by Medical Examiner William D. Swan and Dr. Thomas M. Durrell showed that the girl came to her death by drowning, while the advanced stage of decomposition of the internal organs showed the body might have been in the water for two months. Miss Whittier disappeared while on her way to a business college in Boston. No trace of her was found, and so far as could be learned, there was no reason to believe she might have taken her own life. Whether her death resulted from suicide or accident, remained unsolved last night.

The body was found floating in the river near the Harvard bridge late yesterday by two workmen and was recovered by them.

WOMAN SENTENCED.

Phillie Gagnon Was Arrested in Raid on Burlington House.

Burlington, March 16.—Phillie Gagnon, the woman who was arrested in the raid on a house conducted by Mrs. Mary Martin, was yesterday arraigned in city court on a charge of open and gross lewdness. She was sentenced to serve not less than four nor more than five months in jail.

Low Temperatures in St. Albans.

St. Albans, March 16.—Temperatures ranging from 2 to 8 below zero were recorded here to-day.

Delinquent Taxpayers.

A total of 255 delinquent taxpayers were reported by the tax collector in St. Albans last week. How many of these distinguished gentlemen, whom the newspaper report says include all classes such as business and professional men as well as day laborers, expect to have their taxes paid by the brewery interests that they may vote for license March meeting day? There are more or less of these kind of cattle in nearly every community. If the legislature sometime could be given an opportunity to do a little legislating in the interests of practical temperance a number of things could be improved in the present liquor law, not the least of which would be for the cities and towns to take care of its own taxpayers without the aid of brewery money. As long, however, as a professional temperance reformer is hired by an organization to take charge of and regulate the temperance sentiment, as well as the temperance legislation during each session of the general assembly, we shall not get much progressive legislation along these lines.—Northfield News.

Fred W. Johnson resides in Somerset, Windham county, and is a man of importance in the community. He holds the offices of clerk, treasurer, selectman, lister, tax collector, constable, road commissioner, overseer of the poor and town agent. Probably the duties of these offices fall to keep him busy, and he could annex a few more offices if any were around that were not nailed down. Mr. Johnson is also a member of the legislature. The town cast four Republican and one Democratic ballots at the last election.

Remember the dance and supper at opera house hall, East Barre, Friday evening, March 17.

NEW RULES FOR NURSES.

Must Hold a Diploma and Pass Examination in Order to Register.

Burlington, March 16.—A meeting of the board of registration of nurses, appointed by Governor Mead in accordance with an act of the last legislature, was held Tuesday evening at the Van Ness house, for temporary organization. Another meeting has been called for Monday, when a permanent organization will be effected. The board consists of three members. Dr. D. C. Hooley, of this city, who has been elected temporary chairman, Dr. Charles A. Gale, who is temporary secretary and treasurer, and Miss Miller, head nurse of the Brightbrook hospital in St. Johnsbury.

The act of the legislature provides that applicants shall apply for registration upon blanks furnished by the board, and that they must show themselves to be persons of good character, be at least 21 years of age and hold a diploma from some hospital or training school, which requires at least a two years' course. An examination, consisting of a test in English and in practical work, will also be given. A registration fee of \$5 is required and after nurses have been registered they are entitled to use the title registered nurse or place the letters R. N. after their names.

Those who are at present professional nurses and who hold diplomas granted before January 1, 1911, from a school or hospital will be admitted upon payment of the fee, as will those from other states, who have sufficient regulations along that line. A heavy fine is the penalty for using the title without having been passed on by the board.

BOSTON STARTLED
BY BOMB EXPLOSION

Italian's Store in the West End Was Partly Wrecked This Morning.

Following Black Hand Letters.

Boston, March 16.—Black hand threats upon Caspare Poleo, an Italian merchant in the west end section of the city, was followed to-day by the discharge of a bomb in Poleo's store, although no one was hurt. Poleo's store was partly wrecked, windows in adjoining buildings were shattered and dwellers in that vicinity were given a bad scare.

TO HAVE MORE LIGHT.

Stowe Village Votes to Bond to Get It, Too.

Stowe, March 16.—At the adjourned village meeting held last evening it was unanimously voted to instruct the village trustees to contract with the Morrisville Electric Light & Power company for power to light the streets of the village and vicinity and also for commercial and house lighting purposes. It was voted to empower the trustees to erect a pole line with the necessary equipment and to draw on the village treasury for the necessary expenses. At the completion of the work the corporation is empowered to issue bonds for a sum not exceeding \$25,000 at a rate of interest not exceeding 4-1/2 per cent.

TESTIMONY ENDED
IN BEAN CASE

Inquest Into Deaths of Mrs. George Bean and Miss Nina Bean at Maidstone Has Occupied Three Days.

Maidstone, March 16.—After being in session three full days and hearing the testimony of nearly half a hundred witnesses, the inquest on the deaths of Mrs. George Bean and her daughter, Nina, was ended last night. The two women were shot and killed in their home last Thursday at Arthur Bean, a son and brother, was locked up on suspicion of having been responsible for the deaths.

Eight witnesses were called yesterday, the last one being John Sweet, the 104-year-old grandfather of the accused, who had previously stated that he was locked in a closet by young Bean just previous to the shooting. The hearing was secret, as it has been from the start, and it is not known whether or not any further statement was secured from the centenarian. Other witnesses yesterday were Charles Ames, Ernest Bean, Norman Washburn, Moses Masters, S. S. Benton, Mrs. Benton and Georgia Bean.

DEED FILED TO-DAY.

Showing That Central Vermont Has Acquired Langdon Farm.

A deed was filed in the city clerk's office at Montpelier to-day, whereby Albert Tuttle, trustee of the Langdon estate, transferred to the Central Vermont railroad company what is known as the Langdon farm, just north of the city of Montpelier. The property contains about 48 acres of land, starting with the engine house just north of the Central Vermont station and running northerly to the limit of the farm. The deed gives the consideration as \$1, and it was signed October 12, 1910. It is supposed that the Central Vermont now acquired this property to make radical changes in its station facilities at Montpelier, thereby putting Montpelier on the main line of the railroad by running the main track more into the curve at that point.

FIGHT OVER CHALK.

In a Montpelier Granite Plant Yesterday Afternoon.

Grand Juror Gleason of Montpelier is investigating an alleged fracas between Frank Breyner and Paolo Ponsa at the Bonazzi & Bonazzi granite plant in Montpelier yesterday afternoon. The men are alleged to have had a dispute over some chalk, the dispute turning into a physical encounter. Ponsa is alleged to have been hit over the head with a hammer and Breyner is alleged to have had the fingers on one hand chewed.

After the rumpus, Breyner ran to the house of Louis Jerome on the Barre road, taking refuge in the cellar and refusing to budge till the family called Chief Burke to the scene, whereupon the man decamped.

\$39,000 FIRE
AT E. RICHFORD

Serious Blow for Little Vermont Village

SUSTAINED LAST NIGHT

Saw-mill, Box Factory, General Store, Hotel, Barn and Post Office Wiped Out—There Was an Insurance of \$22,000.

Richford, March 16.—Fire which broke out at 11:30 last night in the saw-mill of Baker & Sons at East Richford swept all the buildings on the north side of the Canadian Pacific railroad company, including the saw-mill, a box factory, the general store of L. Baker & Sons, the Missisquoi hotel and barn, owned by R. L. Wilson of East Richford, and the post office. The total loss is \$39,000, and the insurance is \$22,000.

Aid was summoned from this place, the firemen making the trip by team. But they could not save any of the property, as the flames were swept by a high northwest wind. The fire burned itself out at about half-past one this morning. The loss on the saw-mill and box factory was \$25,000, with insurance of \$15,000. The store and the post office loss is \$6,000, with insurance of \$3,000, while the hotel and barn loss is \$8,000, with insurance of half that amount. There are no definite plans about rebuilding.

The contents of the post office and most of the furniture in the hotel were saved, as were several horses in the barn connected with the hotel. The cause of the fire is not known, but it is generally attributed to what is called a "back draft" in the saw-mill. The night watchman passed around the property only a short time before the fire broke out, and at that time everything seemed to be all right.

HARVARD STUDENTS
DRIVEN OUT BY FIRE

So Narrow Was Their Escape from Death in Randolph Hall Fire To-day That They Couldn't Gather Any Clothing.

Cambridge, Mass., March 16.—One student was rescued in an unconscious condition, many others were awakened barely in time to escape the flames and all were driven, scantily clad, to the street by a fire which partly destroyed Randolph hall, one of the most exclusive of Harvard university's dormitories this morning. The loss to the building is estimated at \$25,000, but the total loss will be greatly increased by the individual loss sustained by the students occupying the dormitory. The students occupied quarters on the upper floors of the building. The fire started on the ground floor and spread rapidly to the upper part of the structure, placing the sleeping students in very great danger. It was very fortunate that no lives were lost.

BROTHERS IN SUIT
OVER SUM OF \$325

Trial of Baraquin Case in Washington County Court Was Started To-day.

In Washington county court to-day, the trial of the case of Basillio Baraquin vs. Emilio Baraquin, general assumption, was started. This is a suit to recover \$325, which the plaintiff claims was owed by the defendant in his business. The plaintiff resides in Barre and the respondent in St. Johnsbury. The former is represented by Richard A. Roy and the latter by Howe and Hovey.

The jurors who are hearing the case are Clinton A. Bartlett of Plainfield, J. J. Brown of Duxbury, Fred Buchanan of Woodbury, Hans Fredriksson of Plainfield, Walter A. Frenier of Montpelier, Horace E. Gray of Worcester, Martin S. Herbert of Worcester, Clinton Johnson of Waterbury, F. A. Joslyn of Northfield, Lee Townsend of Marshfield, H. G. Wiley of Berlin and F. V. Winslow of Berlin.

Attorney John Wing appeared before the court yesterday and called upon the divorcee of Loris E. Goddard against Edward M. Goddard and asked that the petitioner be granted a divorce on the ground of intolerable severity, as proved at the trial of the case last fall before Judge Hall, who denied a divorce as the charge was not proved. Mr. Wing said that what the case was tried he supposed that the petition asked for divorce on the grounds of intolerable severity and refusal to support, but after the evidence was in it was discovered that the only charge made was refusal to support and this charge had not been proved in the trial as he conducted his case on the line of intolerable severity. Mr. Wing asked that the stenographer's minutes be accepted as evidence in granting the divorce at this time. Judge Miles announced that he will consider the case and render his decision in a short time.

TALK OF THE TOWN.

A meeting of the entertainment committee of Barre, Lodge No. 128, N. E. O. P., will be held at Fred Beckley's, 6 Park street, to-night at 7 o'clock.

Arrivals at the City hotel yesterday and to-day were registered as follows: J. E. Demarres, Boston; M. H. Peterson, New York City; F. W. Walden, Boston; J. C. Sheridan, New York City; E. I. Claffin, Randolph; C. S. Speare, R. E. Williams, West Corinth; E. E. Ellis, Brookfield; F. A. Smith, Hartford; W. C. Sawyer, Boston; G. R. Andrews, Northfield; A. L. Patterson, Washington; W. H. Stetson, Boston; A. E. Corwell, Montpelier; J. H. Reed, Burlington.

WAS PRONOUNCED SUCCESS.

Annual Banquet of Methodist Brotherhood Last Evening.

The third annual banquet of chapter 350, Methodist brotherhood, was held in the parlors of the Hedding Methodist church last evening at 7:30 o'clock. Last night's yearly gathering of the members of the brotherhood with their wives and invited friends was doubtless the most pretentious social function which the organization has yet attempted in its three years' existence. Fully 175 persons sat down to the excellent chicken pie feast provided. The menu was replete with good things and to say that it was amply satisfying would be expressing it mildly. The parlors were tastefully decorated in detail, red and white crepe paper being used with artistic effect. Attractive leaders on which were inscribed the menu and the program of toasts were distributed to the guests.

The after-dinner exercises began shortly before 9 o'clock, the program occupying an hour and a half. John H. Bishop acted as toastmaster and introduced each speaker in his usual happy manner.

"Social Influences of the Brotherhood" was the first toast and L. B. Dodge, who responded, told of the leavening influence of the brotherhood movement among men. Taking "The Other Fellows" for his speech, E. M. Lyon, who was called up next, made a sparkling little speech that elicited much merriment. Horace Sowles of the Montpelier seminary faculty followed with a few remarks on the advantage and disadvantages of what is colloquially termed "bluff."

Here the program was interspersed with selections by the brotherhood male quartet. The singers were obliged to respond to an encore. The toastmaster then called upon Francis D. Hathaway, who replied with a short common sense talk on "The Duty of Happiness." The pastor, Rev. E. O. Johnson, next responded to the toast, "A Manly Game." He said that the day for heroic actions had not yet passed and urged that more men answer the call of the firing line. "Civic Responsibilities of the Brotherhood" was next on the program, and M. M. Gordon responded with a witty resume of just what kind of citizenship follows the true brotherhood spirit. The brotherhood, he said, should be the first to gain and the last to leave the stand for honest principles and civic righteousness.

In a little speech that truly reflected the spirit of the occasion, Judge Scott followed next by responding to the subject, "The Best of Good Feeling." Speechmaking closed with "Laymen's Movement" by H. E. Springer. Mr. Springer told of the inception of the great movement and vividly described its far reaching effects. The movement was born a generation ago, he said, when the women of the church banded together and organized the first missionary societies. To-day it stands as one of the most significant religious movements the world has ever known. At the conclusion of these remarks, the master of the exercises thanked the guests for their careful attention and announced a selection by the male quartet, which brought the program to a close.

Last evening's affair marks another milestone in the history of the brotherhood movement in the local church. The organization has a large and growing membership and in its three years of existence has made rapid strides in every direction. Already it has been a powerful factor in the development of the church and its prospects for the future are exceedingly bright. The banquet and arrangement of the program was carried out under the combined committees of the brotherhood.

NO STATE LICENSE
FEE IMPOSED

On Foot Peddlers, Was Revealed When Case Came Up in Barre City Court To-day.

It was revealed in city court this morning that there is no state law compelling foot peddlers to pay a state license fee. The case grew out of the complaint against one M. Scholz, a peddler of clothing and similar goods, who was arrested on State's Attorney Carey's warrant. Scholz had paid a local license to sell goods, and he was paying his trade about the city with that, yesterday he was brought to city court, and the case was continued to this morning.

When the case came up again to-day, his attorney, S. Hollister Jackson, put in for defense that the statutes do not require a foot peddler to take out a state license; and, sure enough, an examination of the revised laws of 1910 did not show the former section of the peddlers' law which required foot peddlers to pay \$15 for a state license. Therefore, State's Attorney Carey asked that the case be not proscribed, and the case was thus disposed of.

Whether the section of the law was left out by accident or by design is not known. The peddler's license law was amended at the 1910 session of the legislature to include peddlers who travel about by motor vehicle as well as by foot-propelled vehicles, and it is possible that the line concerning foot peddlers was dropped out by mistake. Anyway, Scholz was a happy man.

A BUSINESS TRANSFER.

Carl C. Perkins Has Bought Out Green Mountain Electric Co.

Percy M. Carr has sold the business of the Green Mountain Electric company at 160 North Main street, in the Nichols block, to Carl C. Perkins, who has been employed by the firm during the past seven years. Mr. Perkins will continue the business at the same location and under the same name, being well qualified to assume charge. The stock of the Green Mountain Electric company, three shares, in this city, in Montpelier and in Burlington, was recently consolidated in the Barre store, and was transferred in the sale just made to Mr. Perkins. Mr. Carr has not definitely decided on his plans, but he will remain in Barre, which will be pleasant news to his friends here.

EAST BARRE.

Remember the dance and supper at opera house hall, East Barre, Friday evening, March 17.

SHORTAGE OF
R Vermont State Library STOCKBarre Quarries Are Seriously
Handicapped by Weather

WORST FOR TEN YEARS

The Largest Granite Plant in the City Shut Down To-day Because of Inability to Get Granite from Millstone Hill Quarries.

Quarrying operations on Millstone hill have been seriously interfered with all the winter, and the output of Barre granite is not as large as it might have been under more favorable weather conditions. Veteran quarry owners say that not for ten years have the conditions been so bad as during the present winter which is dragging along to a close. The same man stated that the orders were piling up so fast that he didn't believe they could be filled entirely before the middle of June. Local manufacturers are clamoring for rough stock, and the cutting plant of Jones Bros. company, the largest in Barre, was compelled to shut down to-day because there was not enough stock on hand to keep the men busy.

In the first place, there have been heavy falls of snow throughout the winter, culminating with the big storm of yesterday, which deposited another thick blanket over the quarries. In addition, the cold weather has been another serious matter. Colder streaks have been known, but not so much continued cold weather as during the 1910-11 winter.

To-day, for instance, operations were well-nigh suspended on the quarries, because of the inability to get at the stock. The snow of yesterday forenoon turned into water later in the day; and the water turned to ice under the chilling effects of a northeast blizzard. As a result, the stone was coated this morning with a thick sheet of ice; and the attention of the men was directed toward breaking this covering during the greater part of the day. It can be seen, therefore, that granite quarrying has been conducted under unusual handicaps all the season.

Quarry owners say that there are excellent prospects for rushing business in their line of the industry just as soon as the weather becomes reasonable, as the orders are coming in very rapidly, indicating that the Barre granite business is on the boom. But at present their hands are practically tied by Jack Frost. Ten years ago there was another winter similar to this, and the quarry owners all remember that. They now promise to go out gunning for the "groundhog" which on February 2 pre-announced the worst part of the winter to be over.

A MAGNIFICENT SPECIMEN

In Barre Granite Is Undergoing the Finishing Touches.

Statue carvers at the plant of Tosi, Sanginetti & Co., are putting the finishing touches on one of the most magnificent cruciform monuments ever cut in Barre. Work on the piece has been underway since the early part of September, 1910, and it will be shipped to the dealers who contracted for it by the middle of April. Seldom do contracts for monuments of this kind call for a cross and figure assuming the proportions of this one, and it is doubtful if a crucifix as large as this has ever been cut in the city.

The cross is of hammered granite and measures sixteen feet in length. Together the arms are eight feet and three inches long, the whole being one and one half feet through. The cruciform figure of the Christ is eight feet and six inches in height and is raised two feet from the face of the cross. Every detail in the sculpture has been given due attention. The delicate delineations of the hands and feet, the draping about the loins, and the features of the face have been skillfully wrought to perfection. Above the figure is a scroll with the inscription in Latin. All in all, the graceful workmanship on the figure is wholly set off by the severe lines of the cross proper. The monument is a model of statuary in every respect and the carvers, Tosi, Sanginetti & Co., may well look at the piece with pardonable pride.

The crucifix is cut from one solid block of light Barre granite, quarried from the Wells & Lamson deposit, as called. When unloaded at the sheds in the rough, the stone weighed twenty-three tons. On its completion it is thought it will weigh around seventeen tons. Sometime before April 15, it will be shipped to a city in Pennsylvania, where it will be placed on a commanding location between a church and a House of Mercy. In its permanent location the crucifix will be set in a double base of granite.

DIED VERY SUDDENLY.

Mrs. Charles C. Varney Was in Her Usual Health Last Evening.

Mrs. Charles C. Varney passed away at her home, 363 North Main street, this morning at 6:30 o'clock. Death was due to heart trouble and came suddenly. Last night Mr. Varney retired in her usual health. She had been afflicted with heart trouble, however, for two years past, although her condition had not been serious at any time. Besides her husband, she is survived by one daughter, Josie, who lives at home, one sister, Mrs. H. S. Lynn of St. Johnsbury, and one nephew, R. L. Staples, also of St. Johnsbury. The funeral arrangements will be announced later.